

Ministers turn down deal for Shak's release

By IAN BLACK and DAVID RICHARDSON Jerusalem Post Reporters
A last-ditch attempt to prevent the banishment of Nablus Mayor Bassam Shak'a — by postponing further legal action over the controversial Eilon Moreh settlement — appeared to have failed last night as government sources insisted that a proffered deal along these lines had been rejected "out of hand."

Begin tells cabinet: Eilon Moreh report 'in a few days'

By DAVID LANDAU Jerusalem Post Reporter
Prime Minister Menachem Begin told the cabinet yesterday that he hoped to be able to report "in the next few days" on the implementation of the earlier decision to evacuate Eilon Moreh.



MEIR COHEN OF THE LIKUD (RIGHT) MAKES A POINT TO ALIGNMENT MK YEHOYAHU MESHUL, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE HISTADRUT, AT YESTERDAY'S STORMY HISTADRUT EXECUTIVE MEETING.

As employers seek court ban Histadrut going ahead with one-day strike

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The one-day general strike called for tomorrow to protest the government's latest economic measures was endorsed at a riotous meeting of the labour federation's executive yesterday.

Cabinet moves to table autopsy law change fast

Jerusalem Post Staff
The cabinet decided yesterday to move urgently ahead with the tabling of an amendment to the Anatomy and Pathology Law that would require the prior consent of the deceased, or the subsequent consent of his family, before an autopsy may be performed.

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Economic cabinet takes aim in war on black capital

By SHLOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter
The economic cabinet yesterday decided to locate and investigate those citizens who live high and pay low taxes.

Mecca situation still unclear; Saudis say they're in control

Jerusalem Post Staff
The takeover of Mecca's Grand Mosque by Moslem rebels was shrouded in confusion last night as reports conflicted over the outcome of operations there by Saudi troops.

Iran foreign minister cancels surprise visit to New York

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Ministers set to review autonomy talks

Post Diplomatic Correspondent
The Ministerial Committee on Autonomy will meet on Wednesday under Premier Menachem Begin to review progress in the autonomy talks with Egypt.

Bonds drop another 2%

Post Economic Reporter
Government bonds dropped by another 2 per cent yesterday on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange.

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Mutual fund man attends closed Treasury-bank meet

By SHLOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter
A closed meeting was held yesterday to discuss the Bank of Israel's policy towards the bond market.

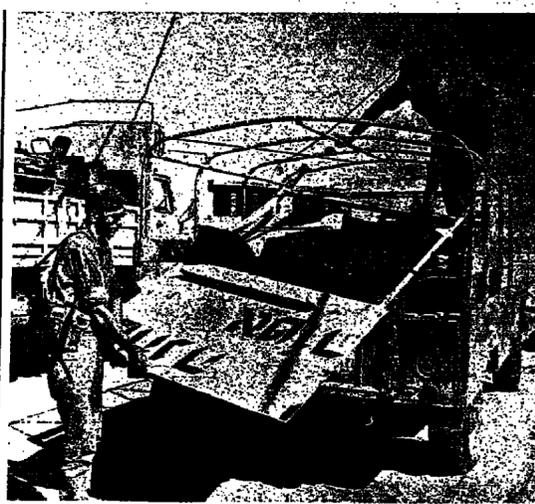
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HOME NEWS

El Al ground workers: We'll rest Saturdays

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter Tension increased between the El Al management and ground workers yesterday after the employees threatened to stop working on Saturdays and holidays...



Soldiers lead a sign which reads 'Camp A-Tur' on one of the last Israeli vehicles to leave the Sinai town yesterday. (IPFA)

'Manufacturers caught between gov't, union'

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Manufacturers are reeling from the effects of the government's new economic policy and the Histadrut's stirring up of labour unrest...

Accessories to Bank Leumi robbery sent to prison

By YORAM BAR Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Aharon Avitan and Shlomo Kaabani, who were charged with abetting the four robbers of the Bank Leumi branch in Ramat Aviv on May 3, were yesterday sentenced in Tel Aviv District Court to four years and two years in prison...

Charged with theft from police decoy

By YORAM BAR Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Police have charged 21-year-old Ya'acov Luzon with stealing ILS 500 from a police officer who was impersonating a drug addict...

Speaker urges law to keep small parties out of Knesset

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — A better standard of debate and a higher level of personal behaviour are needed if the Knesset is to regain the confidence and respect of the public...

Elementary school teachers threaten to renew sanctions

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — More sanctions next week by the country's elementary school teachers are feared, following the inability of the Education Ministry to commit itself to pay teachers' salaries on time...

HISTADRUT STRIKE

(Continued from page 1) "Labour dispute," and it would be violating the law by ordering a strike. There is no room for politically inspired strikes, he argued...

Jlem gas distributors end boycott

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter Jerusalem residents yesterday began receiving supplies of cooking gas following a three-week boycott by distributors...

NO SHAK'A DEAL

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Israel-Mexico pact

Jerusalem Post Staff Israel's visiting Mexico and Mexicans coming here will no longer need visas, under an agreement signed between the two countries recently and ratified by the cabinet yesterday.

Begin raps NRP for 'packing' council

Post Diplomatic Correspondent Prime Minister Menachem Begin met behind two Liberal Party ministers who protested against National Religious Party "packing" of the Council for Religious Education...

Jerusalem authorizes Golda Meir stamp

Jerusalem Post Staff The cabinet decided yesterday to honour Golda Meir by issuing a postage stamp with her portrait. Such a remembrance is an accepted practice a year or so after the death of a former premier.

International Board of Directors

The Executive Committee and the Administration of Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem extend their condolences to Mr. Chaim Kahn Member of the Executive Committee on the passing of his mother ROSA KAHN

HAIM (Heniek) DARIN-DRABKIN

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On the second anniversary of the passing of our beloved

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THE WEATHER Forecast: Partly cloudy, slight drop in temperature. Table with columns for city, sun, wind, and temperature.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Yitzhak Navon yesterday received Eitan Ron, Israel's new ambassador to the Netherlands. He also received a Jewish National Fund delegation from the U.S. and a group of the heads of the Zionist Federation from Canada.

Josef Litvak, will speak about anti-Semitism in Russia at the meeting of Jerusalem at King David Hotel.

A large gathering of veterans of the Zionist movement yesterday attended a graveside memorial service for Yitzhak Gruenbaum to mark the date of his 100th birthday.

A memorial meeting for Nahum Wilbus, one of the pioneers of Israeli industry, was held yesterday at Hafia City Hall.

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Hearty Mazal Tov to JANE and JEROME STERN

on the marriage of their son MICHAEL to RONIT Bar-Ilan University

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British JNF pledges for Pit'hat Shalom

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The British branch of the Jewish National Fund yesterday pledged to raise £10m. over the next five years to set up four settlements at Pit'hat Shalom, the Negov area earmarked for relocating settlers from the Rafiah area.

The Rafiah area must be evacuated before March 1982, when the rest of Sinai is scheduled to be returned to Egypt.

The pledge was made by branch president Lou Stoltzman, in response to a challenge by world JNF chairman Moshe Rivlin, at the annual JNF conference.

Rivlin had urged the 200 delegates to do "everything possible to ensure that the sand dunes bordering Sinai will be populated with settlements."

Twenty settlements are planned on more than 80,000 dunams near the border.

Rivlin described the Pit'hat Shalom project as "one of the JNF's greatest undertakings."

British JNF has transferred just under £1.5m. to Israel in the current year.

Aside from the Pit'hat Shalom project, the JNF plans a 10,000-tree forest in memory of Lord Fisher of Camden, the Anglo-Jewish leader who died last month. It will be planted at Massuat Adulam, south of Jerusalem.

Youths beat Dimona man to death

DIMONA (Itim). — Four high school pupils are suspected in the killing Saturday night of a 23-year-old Dimona resident near the cinema in the town center where they had just seen "Rocky II."

The victim was Daniel Tobol, who finished his army service about a month ago. Tobol was sitting in the cinema with a female friend when four youths behind them started teasing them. Tobol warned them to be quiet.

On the way out of the cinema, the four allegedly jumped Tobol, dragged him into a corner and beat him in the face and chest until he collapsed.

He called out to passersby, who took him to the local Magen David Adom station, but he died shortly afterwards.

The four suspects, whose names have not been released because they are minors, ran from the scene of the beating, but police caught up with them. Police are considering the possibility that the movie, which is about boxing and includes violent scenes, may have influenced the youths.

Tobol, who was a mechanic in the Air Force, is survived by his parents, three brothers and two sisters.

Rabbi ordered to spend another week in jail

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A rabbi suspected of taking bribes will have to spend the rest of this week in police custody. Rabbi Moshe Mirzahi's remand was extended late last week by order of Magistrate Yehoshua Diamant.

Mirzahi, deputy chairman of the Tel Aviv Religious Council, is suspected of accepting bribes to speed up divorce and conversion cases.

The police representative told the court that the investigation is branching out and that the suspect may tamper with evidence if released.

The rabbi was ordered detained for 10 days on November 16. He was allegedly caught red-handed taking IL10,000 to hasten a divorce settlement.

No jumping the gun on linked debts

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A couple who tried to pay off the linked debt for a new apartment before it was due found out in Magistrate's Court yesterday that it was impossible without agreement from the creditor.

Rabbi and Amir Eshed of Ramat Gan bought a flat from the Shikun Ovdim company for IL3m., with payments to be linked to the construction costs index. When the couple saw that construction costs were rising faster than the overall cost of living, they tried to pay off IL800,000 before it was due, to save some of the linkage increment. Shikun Ovdim wouldn't accept the money.

The couple then petitioned the court, but Judge Shlomo Lowenberg ruled yesterday that the creditor, not the debtor, has the right to determine whether he will suffer from a change in the terms of the contract.

Shikun Ovdim said they calculated all their debts to suppliers by the construction costs index also, and could not afford to receive a lower rate of linkage on what was owed them.

Kupat Holim okays hospital plan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A nationwide regional hospitalization scheme will be implemented early in 1980 by Kupat Holim, whose members will be sent to government, public and Kupat Holim hospitals according to a "key" to be worked out between the sick fund and the government. A decision to implement the new plan was taken on Friday by the sick fund's Central Committee.

After the meeting, Prof. Haim Doron, director-general of Kupat Holim, said that adoption of the arrangement (which was preceded by lengthy talks between him and Baruch Modan, director-general of the Health Ministry) does not imply that the sick fund is willing to accept the national health insurance bill as drawn up by the Health Ministry.

Under the plan, hospitals in each region will receive patients from their area according to designated "admission days." (At present, all three types of hospitals sometimes admit patients on the same day. Patients from distant places are often received by the hospitals, although there are hospitals available closer to their place of residence.)

The idea of a regional hospital system was first proposed by Doron in April 1978.

The scheme will begin to function on February 1, on a temporary basis, and on April 1 on a permanent basis. The intention is to allow operation of the system to be adjusted to circumstances that were unforeseen during the planning stages.

Tzavta club to be opened in Haifa

HAIFA. — A local Tzavta club will be opened in Central Carmel, City Councillor Yona Yahav said yesterday. As at its Tel Aviv namesake, performances, political panels and cultural evenings will be presented several times a week as part of the city culture department's winter schedule.

"We have found out that most Haifaites between 21 and 80 refuse to join a club or activity that looks permanent and binding. They would rather look for an uncompromising, voluntary sort of place. That's exactly what the Tzavta clubs are. They have been successful in 14 cities throughout the country, and we hope it will be the same here," Yahav said.



"Don't miss out on peace" and "Occupation corrupts Israel" were among the signs carried by Peace Now demonstrators yesterday outside the Prime Minister's Office. (Rahabim Israel)

Peace Now demonstrates, cabinet remains 'insulated'

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The chanting of anti-government slogans by 700 Peace Now demonstrators outside the Prime Minister's Office did not penetrate the walls of the room in which the cabinet meeting was under way yesterday, according to cabinet secretary Arye Naor. But as the ministers left in their chauffeur-driven cars — each in his own way trying to appear oblivious to the demonstration — they all nevertheless furtively glanced or openly stared at the banners, placards and shouting demonstrators.

"Thank goodness the cabinet room is well insulated," Naor said after the cabinet meeting. When his remarks were made known to his demonstrators, a young woman shouted back, "Yes, insulated in mind, spirit and heart."

Calling Gush Emunim the "Khomeliam" of Israel, comparing Premier Menahem Begin to the now-deposed Iranian premier Mehdi Bazargan and calling for his resignation, the crowd shouted "1, 2, 3, 4 — We don't want any war." "Money for the slums, not new settlements," and similar slogans. The demonstration had started the day before in the capital's Liberty Bell Park, where 5,000 rallied on Saturday night.

The demonstrators, a third of whom had slept overnight in the small park at the foot of the Bank of Israel's mammoth construction site, whistled and boomed as Begin drove away.

But yesterday's cabinet meeting didn't even focus on the issues Peace Now supporters were protesting — West Bank settlements and what they called "the death throes of the peace process."

B-G's 6th yearzeit to be marked today

President Yitzhak Navon will address a state ceremony at Sde Boker today to mark the sixth anniversary of the death of Israel's first premier, David Ben-Gurion. The ceremony will be attended by Premier Menahem Begin, Jewish Agency Executive Chairman Arye Dulin, cabinet ministers, Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan, and senior army and police officers. Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir will pay tribute to Ben-Gurion's memory in the Knesset this afternoon.

Scholarships from the Paula Ben-Gurion Fund will be distributed by Education Minister Zevulun Hammer.

The day will also be marked by a lecture on the Negev by Hebrew University geographer Prof. David Amir; the presentation by Shimon Peres, chairman of the Labour Party and a long-time associate of Ben-Gurion, of a book on the Negev dedicated to Ben-Gurion's memory; and a tour, by some 600 new immigrants, of Sde Boker, the late premier's Negev home.

In a salute to the former premier, Prime Minister Begin yesterday asked all ministers to try to attend the memorial ceremony today at Sde Boker.

Sales start tomorrow on clothes, shoes, leather wear

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Reductions in the prices of clothing, shoes and leather wear will start tomorrow. Stores who are members of the General Merchants Association (GMA) are participating in sales.

The Shekem has also agreed to join in the reductions, but Hamashbir Lazarohan, owned by the Histadrut, is not going along.

Moshe Perluk, secretary-general of the GMA, told The Jerusalem Post that they had decided to reduce the prices following personal calls from Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz. He denied reports that the prices were being slashed because of poor sales of winter wear resulting from the unusually mild weather so far this season.

He also refused to call the promotion an "end-of-season sale," noting that winter has not yet started.

The reductions will be at least 20 per cent, he said. There will be an additional discount at the Shekem stores.

Shmuel Eyal, director-general of the Maashbir said he had not received a call from Hurvitz. Furthermore, he said he did not believe the minister had asked merchants to lower their prices.

He admitted he was willing to consider a sale, but he would call it "beginning-of-the-season sale."

Funds, high-powered c'tee ready to tackle job retraining

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

With most government ministries facing painful budget cuts, the Labour Ministry has been granted an additional IL53m. by the Treasury. The money is to be used to retrain service workers for new jobs in industry, a Labour Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

The establishment this week of an inter-departmental committee to examine various aspects of vocational retraining should also boost the shift of workers from the services to productive work, the spokesman said. The committee's establishment was decided yesterday at a meeting between Labour Ministry Director-General Yisrael Goranik and Treasury Director-General Ya'acov Ne'emman, in line with the spirit of the government's new economic moves.

Headed by Goranik, the committee will include Treasury and Histadrut representatives and others from the Industry, Trade and Tourism Ministry and the Manufacturers Association. It will hold its first meeting today.

It will investigate, and make recommendations to the cabinet on retraining, incentives for those moving to productive jobs and for those in export industries, and arrangements for pensions and other social and fringe benefits for workers who switch to production.

20% of seekers cured of alcoholism

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Only 800 of Israel's estimated 5,000 alcoholics have asked for help. Although only about 20 per cent of those have been cured, this is a far greater rate of success than elsewhere, Prina Eldar, head of the alcoholism unit of the Labour and Social Affairs Ministry, said yesterday.

Speaking at a seminar on alcoholism held at the Jerusalem Forest Recreation Centre, Eldar said that in most Western countries only 5 per cent of those treated overcome their dependence on drink. Much of the credit, she said, goes to Israel's family-centred treatment programmes.

In contrast to other countries, Israel provides no drugs or hospitalization. Also, the volunteers who man the local centres are on call 24 hours a day for those being treated or for their families, in case they need help.

Because of the limited facilities available, only those considered likely to succeed are accepted into the programme offered by the centres. A family willing to give support to the alcoholic is essential. Those on their own are regarded as having little chance of keeping away from liquor, she said.

Eldar hopes that in the future a residential centre will be set up to help these individuals.

New York loss won't hurt Bank Leumi

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Bank Leumi will not suffer financially from the disappearance of a huge sum of cash from one of its New York branches, according to Dr. Zaiman Segal, assistant to the bank's board chairman.

New York press reports say that about \$2m. mysteriously disappeared. However, Amos Bergner, the bank manager in New York, told journalists that the money was withdrawn by one of the clients to pay debts. Authorities in Israel and the U.S. are investigating the circumstances of the case. Segal says the amount of money, taken out "through a series of transfers," is not yet known, but that the figure mentioned is probably inaccurate.

"If the client's collateral is insufficient, then the insurance will cover the remaining part of the loss," Segal says.

He pointed out that the New York branches work in accordance with U.S. laws.

He added that it did not appear at present that any employee of the New York branch was involved, although it was possible that "one of the employees had failed to take sufficient precautions."

More Israeli food for Kampuchean refugees arrives

Jerusalem Post Staff

A second caravan of trucks loaded with meat, rice, fruit and vegetables worth IL1m., bought in Bangkok by Israel Television's representative in Kampuchea, reached the new refugee camp at Khao I-Dang yesterday, where it was unloaded by Israeli volunteers, a Kol Yisrael spokesman said. The food is being distributed to the camp's 30,000 refugees.

Reporting on the convoy's arrival Moshe Amirav, coordinator of the Public Committee for Kampuchean refugees, also outlined details of an agreement between the committee and the Israeli Scouts movement. He said the scouts are to adopt a new orphans' refuge camp now being set up for some 700 Kampuchean children orphaned in the recent fighting. The children are to remain in the camp for six months, and will be cared for by a group of Kampuchean women whose salaries the scouts will pay. The scouts are also to provide clothes, blankets and toys — all to be paid for from the \$30,000 they collected in Israel in a house-to-house drive.

Guide to student aid published by gov't

Jerusalem Post Reporter

There are 70 recognized foundations giving grants to elementary school, high school and university pupils and students in Israel, the Education Ministry said yesterday.

The ministry has compiled a guide to these foundations and has distributed it to the country's schools. Individuals can obtain copies, by writing to Kalman Levinson, Education Ministry, 19 Jaffa Road, Jerusalem, or phoning 242441.

Demolition evaders sentenced, fined

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Municipal court judges yesterday sent two people to jail and fined them for not carrying out demolition orders.

Ya'acov Aslag of Tel Aviv was sentenced to two months in jail and fined IL5,000 for not demolishing a structure he had built without a permit. Yehya Haddad of Herzliya has to serve three months in jail and pay a IL5,000 fine for not destroying a building he had put up illegally on public property.

Countdown pressure — only 19 days left

Jerusalem Post Staff

THERE ARE only 19 days left till the first Hanukkah candle is lit on December 15, and The Jerusalem Post Toy Fund feels the pressure of the countdown.

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TEL AVIV. — "Unless the country's leadership persuades the people of the seriousness of the situation, we might be facing a scenario leading (locally) to something like the collapse of Western civilization as portrayed by the late George Orwell in his famous book," says Dr. Gerstenfeld.

In the shadow of recession Are we headed for economic collapse?

Israel is on the threshold of its economic "1984," warns Dr. Manfred Gerstenfeld, director-general of National Consultants. MACABEE DEAN reports, in the fifth of a series on the impact of a possible recession.

However, he hedges his gloomy prophecy by noting that the world of economics is constantly changing due to unforeseen psychological and political factors. "Nevertheless, even if we can't take all these variables into consideration, there is plenty we can and should do."

We shouldn't throw up our hands in defeat. "I sometimes think that one of the worst things that happened to our people is the inbred concept that there will be outside intervention, divine or otherwise, which will save the situation."

The worst possible "future" was that the inflationary spiral would increase year by year until it reached the terrifying figure of 90-100 per cent a year by the end of 1988, or the beginning of 1984. Well, it has already passed the 100 per cent mark, and has lately speeded up to about 150 per cent on an annual basis.

And since this "future" was published six months ago, the country's leadership has committed about 500 economic crimes.

Dr. Gerstenfeld likes to talk about what may happen in different "scenarios," since, as he notes, "we live in a world which has a lot of alternatives."

For example, what happened in Teheran (and is happening) has had a direct effect on the U.S., and not only due to the oil problem. America's entire foreign policy is affected.

Moreover, President Carter's decision to freeze the several billion dollars of Iranian money held in American banks will also have repercussions, with other countries which deposit their funds in the U.S. becoming more "thoughtful."

This will also have its effect on the entire international financial community. "All this will have its future effects on Israel," he says.

But getting back to the immediate present, he sees three "scenarios." The first is that "something, somewhere, somehow" will crack. A lot of things could lead to this.

For example, at an annual rate of inflation of 125 per cent (which we have already passed) one pound today will be equal in buying power to one million pounds in the year 2000.

branch of industry will go bankrupt. Or perhaps the country will not be able to scrounge abroad to raise the foreign currency it needs to allow its citizens to live far above and beyond their means.

The second scenario is that the government at one point or another will panic and take a radical step which is fundamentally wrong.

For example, if the government were to declare a moratorium on the index-linked bonds now in existence, or fail to honour all or part of their conditions, this could destroy the credibility of the government in its financial policies for many years to come.

The third scenario is the financial leadership taking correct and vigorous steps. "This can be done some minutes before midnight, especially if the government sees its source of foreign currency drying up, and the Finance Ministry decides to act in an orderly and sensible fashion."

It can also be done early in the evening, hours away from the midnight disaster line, and it is the latter which Dr. Gerstenfeld, of course, advocates.

says is the proper allocation of priorities, i.e., money; manpower, planning, and so on.

But here the authorities face immense problems. It is quite easy to say that the lax and inefficient should be shaken out of the tenures they hold at their place of work. But he fears the shakeout will not be based on commonsense, but on the "screaming and table-pounding skills" of vested interests.

The shakeout might leave the inefficient working and send the efficient out to find new jobs, he said, adding that any shakeout would cause tremendous social problems and tensions. It could even lead to violence and emigration.

What does he think of the steps taken recently by Finance Minister Yigdal Hurvitz, which caused violent demonstrations among the socially underprivileged and has prompted the Histadrut to call for a one-day strike.

"It is premature to judge if these steps are in the right direction. But if he does not take much more significant steps, it can be said that he has accomplished almost nothing, except to accelerate inflation, which will be 35-40 per cent in the next three months (November through January)."

"The real test is if he can pare the national budget down to a reasonable figure and if he reduces the number of persons working in the services, civil and otherwise, shifting them to the productive sector. The latter means jettisoning — I've already mentioned the difficulties he will face — the present system of 'last in, first out' for a new system of 'good workers stay, lazy workers get fired.'"

He concludes: "I have yet to see an organization in Israel which employs several hundred persons, which could not improve efficiency by simply firing ten per cent of its staff."

Histadrut-owned industries had fewest strikes

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter

The number of strikes in 1978 in Histadrut-owned industries was "far smaller" than in concerns in the private sector or in government services and companies, Labour Ministry director general Israel Gorenkik said last week.

Speaking to graduates of a ministry-sponsored university seminar on worker participation in industrial management, Gorenkik said that only 10 per cent of last year's strikes were in Histadrut concerns, compared with 17 per cent in private concerns and 49 per cent in government-run concerns. He explained the Histadrut's good record as due to the better labour relations prevailing in its concerns.

The 20 graduates of the year-long course on industrial democracy — all drawn from the country's industries — also heard Tel Aviv University's professor Arye Gorenkik, of the labour studies department, criticize the Histadrut for failing to translate into practice the theory of "industrial democracy" and worker participation in management.

The course, which involved one day of studies per week, covered subjects like economics, bookkeeping, administration and labour relations.

Hua concerned by Iran crisis oil impact

PEKING (AP). — Chinese Premier Hua Guofeng on Friday expressed concern over repercussions for the world energy situation of the Iran-U.S. crisis over hostages in Teheran.

In a meeting with Belgian Vice-Premier and Economic Affairs Minister Willy Claes, the Chinese leader said there were four "hot spots" in the world today: the first in the Middle East, the second Africa, the third Asia and the last in the Caribbean, an apparent reference to Cuba.

Failure to settle the hostages crisis would put Saudi Arabia in a delicate position, Claes quoted Hua as saying. This could have an eventual impact on the oil the Western world receives, he added.

Arab savings of IL1.3b. waiting to be invested

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Capital owned by Israeli Arabs seems to be one of the country's largest remaining sources of untapped wealth. This is the result of tremendous increases in savings in the Arab sector.

An expert on Israeli Arab affairs told The Jerusalem Post that "a very considerable number" of Israeli Arabs who have accumulated large sums over the past years of economic boom are interested in investing in industry, "but don't know how to go about it."

They have no connections to Jewish industrialists and companies and lack the know-how for starting factories of their own. In addition, the Arab villages do not yet have areas zoned for industrial use, the expert said. As a result, many millions of pounds remain unproductive, the expert said.

The general manager of the Arab-Israeli Bank, Elyahu Ashkenazi, confirmed that "there is a great amount of money in the Arab sector and some of it is looking for industrial investment opportunities."

However, he did not know of any individual potential investor in industry. Ashkenazi noted that "thanks to the efforts of the Bank," which is a subsidiary of Bank Leumi, "savings in the Arab sector have reached impressive proportions."

At the end of October deposits in the Arab-Israeli Bank had reached a total of IL1.3b., an increase of 130 per cent in a single year. Of this sum, IL1.2b. was invested in long-term, six-year savings schemes.

This was a very large sum to be tied up for six years by its owners. It was also a long way from the traditional Arab villager's habit of keeping his money in the mattress or under the floor tiles. Ashkenazi attributed the big spurt in bank savings to the advertising campaigns his bank had conducted in the Arab sector, persuading the population that putting their money in the bank was to their advantage.

Bank of Israel will continue its intervention in linked-bond market

By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV. — "The Bank of Israel will continue its intervention on the index-linked bond market. It is inconceivable that as the country's largest issuer of index-linked bonds we should stop our concern for the development of the secondary market."

This was stated yesterday by Sam Bronfeld, responsible for open market activities at the central bank. Bronfeld explained to The Jerusalem Post the rationale behind the Bank of Israel's actions. "It is our policy to encourage private investment and thus to help in the fight against inflation. Index-linked bonds are a major instrument in encouraging investment, and we must assure that the individual's funds are properly protected," he said.

He further contended that when the Bank of Israel acts as buyer, the funds do not wind up in the public's hands and thus act as further fuel for inflation. "Since the beginning of November we have made market purchases of IL1.7b., but in the same period 'Fatam' balances of resident foreign currency holdings have reached IL2.5b. As a result there has been a net inflow of funds to our Bank," Bronfeld said.

He underscored the volatility and irrationality of current investor behaviour by pointing out that in the past, after an announcement of subsidy cuts, there was always a great demand for index-linked bonds. This was not the case this time, and the public sold bonds in the shadow of a credit crunch which will only materialize in several months, Bronfeld said.

FLEET FOOD. — A U.S. Sixth Fleet supply ship, the Mississauga, arrived here yesterday to purchase fresh produce for the fleet. This follows a recent decision by the Sixth Fleet to purchase all fresh foods for the ships at sea in Israel.

Decision Concepts, Inc., a major computer system consulting firm based in New York City, is seeking: Programmer/Analysts. Only qualified persons with the following skills need apply to work in the U.S. — Command level CICS, COBOL, IMS, with 2-3 years' experience — ANSI COBOL, 2-3 years' experience — Under IBM DOS, OS, MVS operating systems — Must be able to communicate in English Plaza Hotel, Jerusalem, Room No.1610, Mr. Rubin Interviews this week only. All arrangements for visas and work permits will be made by the company. High salary.

Haifa councillor starts saving. HAIFA. — City Councillor T. Vardimon yesterday proposed to Mayor Arye Gurel that the councillors set a personal example of saving public funds. To get the ball rolling he returned to city hall the free subscriptions he had been granted, as a councillor, to the city theatre and symphony orchestra, and asked that his expense account be reduced by 5 per cent.

Hurvitz, Levy close TA bureaus in cuts. Finance Minister Yigdal Hurvitz has ordered the closing of his Tel Aviv bureau as part of the government's economy drive. Hurvitz has asked that other ministers whose main offices are in Jerusalem and who maintain Tel Aviv bureaus should follow suit. Last week it was announced that Housing Minister David Levy had joined the list of ministers answering Hurvitz's call.

Today is our new weekly feature consisting of original articles accompanied by exciting illustrations and photographs, combined in an eye-catching graphic layout. Following is the Today schedule until the end of December. December 9 Shopping and Gifts 16 Food — Hanukka Special 23 Travel — Winter Resorts 30 Interior Design Book your advertisement Today THE JERUSALEM POST

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Share prices suffer additional heavy losses

TEL AVIV. — Waves of selling orders further depressed share prices yesterday as all sectors of trading, with the exception of commercial banks, moved to lower levels.

More than a few issues were established as "sellers only" while many more traded without price restriction and their prices fell by 20 per cent or more.

In spite of public assurances from the governor of the Bank of Israel as well as from Finance Minister Yigal Hurvitz that terms of existing index-linked bonds would not be changed, that sector of trading also came under continued selling pressure.

Stocks & bonds — the market report

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN, Post Finance Reporter

Union Bank and IDB scored 4-point gains among commercial bank shares. Hapoalim, General Bank and PIZB gained 3 points each. Leumi was ahead by 2 while Mizrahi was gaining one point.

Mortgage bank issues continued their decline as Tefahot (B) was clipped for a loss of 5.2 per cent. The Carmel shares did not trade as the bank announced a 10 per cent interim cash dividend.

down by 3.7 per cent while Securitas was dropping by more than 8 per cent. Land development and real estate issues did not escape the downward trend.

Industrials were the main object of yesterday's selling pressure. Electra ILA was down by nearly 9 per cent. Argaman (B) lost a full 10 per cent, as was the case with Elron IL2.

Eligar, Paz, and Clal Real Estate options were all marked as "sellers only." Clal Trade was down by 7.7 per cent, while Clal Real Estate was down by 10 per cent.

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Table with multiple columns listing various stocks and bonds, their closing prices, and volume changes. Includes sections for Commercial Banks, Housing, Prop. & Bldg., and Most active shares.

Representative bond prices

Table listing representative bond prices, including 6.5% Defence loan, 4% Gov't development, and various government bonds.

New York Stock Exchange

Closing prices - Nov. 23. Dow Jones Industrial Average: 811.77 up 4.35. Volume: 23,300,000.

Table listing various New York Stock Exchange stocks and their closing prices, including Allied Chemical, Amgen, and others.

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Advertisement for FERRAZZO, featuring a man in a suit and contact information.

Advertisement for a real estate agent, featuring a family scene and contact information.

Advertisement for a real estate agent, featuring a man in a suit and contact information.

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Large advertisement for DUN & BRADSTREET (ISRAEL) LTD. with the headline 'CONFUSED IN ISRAEL'S WORLD OF BUSINESS?' and a cartoon illustration.

Advertisement for AMERICAN ISRAEL BANK LTD. featuring a table of foreign exchange rates for various currencies.

Advertisement for CLASSIFIEDS, containing various notices for real estate, services, and other classified advertisements.

Advertisement for PURCHASE/SALE, featuring a list of items for sale and contact information.

Advertisement for TELEPHONE SERVICE, featuring a list of phone numbers and contact information.

Advertisement for DIGITAL 8000, featuring a medical device and contact information for TADIRAN.

Large advertisement for 'REPORT SUSPICIOUS OBJECTS!' with a bold headline and contact information.

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Watch on Teheran

IT IS HARD to see what the seizure of the American Embassy in Iran has to do with the invasion by Moslem gunmen of the Grand Mosque in Saudi Arabia...

It is absurd to associate the U.S. — and the "international Zionists" if you please — with an obscure domestic clash between devout Moslems in the heart of the Saudi kingdom...

It all arises from the lust of the Iranian revolutionaries to get their hands on the ex-Shah for purposes of revenge. The Americans cannot yield him up, partly, as Henry Kissinger pointed out, because he was for 37 years a good friend to the U.S....

The American stand is comprehensible; no other government would behave differently. President Carter has been prudent, but firm, trying to exhaust all possible diplomatic avenues to secure the release of the hostages...

During the days when most of Africa and a great deal of Asia were under colonial rule, it was normal for subject peoples to blame the West for all their woes. After they all achieved national independence, this antagonism was happily dispelled.

The U.S. led a variety of aid programmes via the UN, President Truman's Point Four Programme, the World Bank and other agencies, to help set newly-emancipated territories on their feet.

And yet the old anti-Western bias is suddenly flickering into life again. The reason may be disappointment among the masses; disappointment that their acquisition of political sovereignty has made such a small difference to their daily lives...

Khomeni may have an interest in fanning hatred against a distant scapegoat. It distracts the populace from his own failure to meet their crying needs. But the multitudes who shake their fists in the U.S. Embassy compounds in Teheran and Islamabad should recognise that their vindictiveness is this time futile and purposeless.

What can they take from the Americans, apart from the 49 Embassy officials now in their hands? The Shah is in any case a sick man. Meanwhile the U.S. no longer buys their oil. If Iran reneges on its external debt, the creditor banks can place a lien on its assets blocked in the U.S. And then what?

The Iranians can blow up the framework of international aid, trade and friendship that offers the only way forward for economically backward populations. That is the direction in which Khomeni is pointing. Despite his attempt to "Islamize" what is essentially a secular conflict, Pakistan and other Moslem countries should think twice before joining this particular brand of political hysteria.

RUMANIA'S EMIGRATION GAME

YISRAEL LANDRES examines the difficulties facing Jews who want to leave Rumania and notes that emigration from that country has, in fact, declined since it was granted most-favoured-nation status.

WHAT A POOR, pale creature present-day immigration from Rumania is, no matter how its cheeks are pinched from time to time by Bucharest to give it the semblance, albeit fleeting, of ruddy health...

Bucharest's urge to pinch cheeks is most keenly felt whenever Washington turns its attention to Rumania's continued status as a most favoured nation. The Jackson-Vanik amendment determines, it may be recalled, that most-favoured-nation status, and the trade concessions that go with that title, be confined to nations placing no limit on the emigration of their nationals...

But, ironically, ever since 1976, when Rumania was first admitted to the group of most favoured nations, Jewish emigration has steadily declined. And this year's figures again show a far smaller number of Jewish emigrants than in the year preceding Rumania's admission to the "club."

Clearly, as long as Rumania panted after the prize, the hurdles in the way of Jewish emigration were largely pushed aside. But once the prize was gained, the reins were again shortened, and the number of Jews leaving was cut back severely.

RUMANIAN spokesmen have ready recourse to faked statistics in the attempt to cover up the deteriorating situation. Their first premise is that there are far fewer Jews in Rumania than is claimed, thus the problem is far less acute than American Jewish organizations would have the world believe. If there are only a few thousand Jews left in Rumania, they argue, what is the basis for claiming that the number of exit visas should be increased?

And, following this argument, the Rumanian ambassador to Israel earlier this month issued figures showing that according to the last census taken in his country two years ago the Jewish population numbers only 25,000 — a figure that was also supplied to MK Yosef Tamir on his recent visit to Rumania.

But Rumania's chief rabbi, Rabbi Moshe Rosen, told Jewish Agency chairman Aryeh Dulzin, that

Rumania has a total of 37,000 Jews. In other words, Rosen's contention is that Rumania has 50 per cent more Jews than the population census shows. Bucharest will scarcely think Rosen, who is loyal to the regime, has inflated the number. The truth is that it is simply more convenient for them to minimize the extent of the problem.

However, even Chief Rabbi Rosen's figures are deficient. His assessment is based on the Jews listed in the country's 68 organized communities. But Rumania's Jews are scattered throughout the country, a small group here, an even smaller group there, in more than 300 different locations, the vast majority of which have no organized Jewish community. Thus, many are not included in the communities' lists, and a well-founded estimate puts the Jewish population at some 45,000.

But if the Rumanian spokesmen are interested in minimizing the community's size, they are equally concerned to exaggerate the numbers of those leaving. Recently, statistics published in the name of the Rumanian ambassador to Israel claimed that 1,000 exit visas had been granted to Jews this year, up to October 31.

However, the granting of an exit visa does not automatically grant the right to leave Rumania. The process is far more complicated: the passports of Jews granted exit visas are returned from Israel's embassy in Bucharest to Rumania's Foreign Office, from there they are sent to the Interior Ministry, and thence to local police headquarters.

There is, thus, ample opportunity for further hold-ups along the way, after the visas have been granted. In fact, during 1979, only 800 Jews had left Rumania by November, less than the number that left in 1978. This year has been no exception to the trend of recent years — fewer Jews are being allowed to leave Rumania.

RUMANIAN officials are quick to deny the claim that there is any intention to cut back on the number of Jews permitted to leave. On the contrary, they claim, Rumania maintains its policy of granting exit visas for the reunification of families. If there are fewer Jews coming to Israel, then the reservoir is simply drying up, they say.

Chief Rabbi Rosen himself never loses an opportunity to add his voice

to the chorus. Jews who want to leave Rumania, he never tires of saying, have no difficulties placed in their way. No Jew applying for an exit visa is dismissed from his job, nor is he subject to any harassment. We would like to believe what he says, but the facts are too often at variance with his claims. Rumanian immigrants tell quite another story — the authorities do make it difficult to leave and they often delay the granting of visas for very long periods.

Indeed, the Rumanians have thought up a trick that even the Russians have failed to use: Jews wanting to leave cannot simply apply for an exit visa. First they must apply to the police station and there request that the police permit them to receive the appropriate visa application form. And that is just the first hurdle in the long obstacle race.

The applicant does not always receive an answer. Sometimes the answer is in the negative. A number of Jews have already been refused several times.

There are other obstacles in the way, too. If the aged father of an adult man with a family objects to his son's leaving, the son will be refused a visa, and there have undoubtedly been instances of the authorities persuading parents to sign such objections without the old people even knowing what they were signing.

And then, of course, there are the certificates needed by an applicant to prove that he has had no access to state secrets; and the innumerable committees whose task it is to persuade applicants to withdraw their requests for exit visas.

BUT TWO personal stories will perhaps describe the situation more effectively. A.N. and his wife, both journalists from Bucharest, applied for permission to leave for Israel in July 1974. Both were dismissed from their place of work and invited to appear before a committee which tried to persuade them to remain in Rumania. When foreign journalists working in Rumania heard about the difficulties being placed in their way, the story was published abroad.

This immediately gave the authorities an excuse for questioning the couple on their contacts with foreign citizens. For a long time thereafter they had to manage to make a living as best they could

from work on the side and assistance from their families in Israel.

Only five years later did they and their children finally receive permission to leave for Israel and rejoin their close family — parents, brother, sisters, brother-in-law, nephews and nieces.

Their immigration to Israel might well have been delayed even more were it not that during discussions in Washington on the renewal of Rumania's most-favoured-nation status, the Rumanian authorities preferred to prove that those Jews wanting to leave are subject to harassment and restrictions.

Dr. Avraham (a pseudonym) ran an even longer obstacle course. His first request for a visa was submitted in 1968, when he was 42. He finally arrived in Israel this month, with his wife and two children. He is now 62, a severe diabetic and his eyesight has all but failed as the disease has progressed.

TRUE, not all those who seek exit visas are immediately dismissed from their jobs. Not all are subject to harassment and pressures. There are, it is true, those who apply for visas and then come to Israel only months later. But harassment and pressures exerted on 20 to 25 per cent of visa applicants are sufficient to deter many others from even trying. Harassment and pressures are the whip the authorities crack over the heads of would-be emigrants.

Chief Rabbi Rosen will doubtless continue to tell us that Rumania puts no obstacles in the way of Jewish emigration. He will doubtless continue to plead that as of the last few months Rumania's Jews have been able to register for exit visas with

their own Jewish communities. No longer must they present themselves before the awesome officials; it is their own community representatives who deal with the visas now.

But that move is nothing more than an exercise in public relations. For the communities are not themselves authorized to issue passports and visas. What they do is, in fact, quite meaningless: their actions merely parallel the real work of the government officials, and nothing the community heads do can change the government's emigration policies.

Chief Rabbi Rosen is surely well aware of the situation, yet one cannot help sometimes having the impression, one hopes an erroneous one; that the chief rabbi himself is not always so eager to see Jews reunited with their families in Israel. Could it be that he fears the diminution of the community that he heads? It is difficult to believe that this is the case.

IN A RECENT press conference, the Rumanian ambassador in Israel said he thought relations between Israel and Rumania were being endangered by all the publicity and talk of difficulties placed in the way of Jewish emigration from his country. Israel, it is true, is well aware of the importance of good relations with Rumania and of the diplomatic contribution that her president Nicolai Ceausescu has made to the peace process with Egypt.

But Rumania, too, has an interest in developing its relations with Israel. Both countries benefit from the relationship, and both should be interested in avoiding any possible point of friction.

Rumania's removal of the obstacles it has placed in the way of Jews wanting to immigrate to Israel would make an important contribution to the improvement of relations between the two countries.

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POSTSCRIPTS

WHY DID Iraq's Jews come to Israel? According to Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini — the Ayatollah Khomeini's right-hand man — it all happened because of the activities of "Nazi S.S. agent" Mordechai Ben-Porat.

Ben-Porat, a former Knesset Member and head of the World Organization of Jews from Arab Countries — recently received a clipping of an article written by Khalkhali in the Teheran daily "Atlat." The Baghdad-born Ben-Porat was sent to Iran on the eve of Khomeini's return to that country on a secret ally mission.

Khalkhali heads the notorious Iranian revolutionary courts and has been dubbed "Khomeini's official executioner."

According to the Ayatollah Khalkhali, "Zionism accords no value whatever to human life and directs an extensive network of dark schemes around the world."

Zionism learned its disregard for human life "from none other than Wilhelm the German," Khalkhali continues. "It caused the migration to Israel of the unfortunate Jews of Baghdad through Ben-Porat, although it pretends that it all happened because Nazis set Jews' homes afire. But it is common knowledge that Ben-Porat and others like him acted hand-in-hand with the S.S. to hunt down the Jews and thereby augment the numbers of hapless immigrants in the cities of Palestine."

The Ayatollah concludes with a dire warning to his own countrymen. He urges them to be "highly vigilant because the hands of Zionists were always stained with the blood of those who discovered and attempted to tell the world of their anti-humanist traits. We too will soon be among the victims of this Zionism," he predicts.

S.H.

ABC-TV'S VERSION of "Masada" is to depict Fort Scaurus (Eleazar Ben-Yair) and his Zealots dressed as fully paid-up members of the P.L.O., judging by the photographs in The Jerusalem Post weekend edition of November 2. This is in the great tradition of Hollywood hokum from Cecil B. DeMille onwards: the Hebrews were always depicted as 19th-century Beduin or 20th-century oil millionaires while the Romans wore brass helmets like firemen.

According to the article, the movie-makers claim to have consulted Prof. Yigael Yadin. It's a pity they didn't open his "Bar-Kokhba" in which a whole chapter is devoted to the wardrobe found at Nahal Hever, "a complete set of clothes of the first and second centuries AD worn by the Jews of Palestine..." These articles are also described in some detail in the Talmud, a source the movie's costume department might also have consulted profitably. The Nahal Hever clothes, now in the Israel Museum, include the tunica (habuk) decorated with two vertical bands (clavi), their width denoting rank; mantles decorated with notched bands (exactly as shown in the wall-paintings of the ancient synagogue of Dura Europos); mantles adorned with a gamma, a notched right-angle (as shown in Roman mosaics); and linen shirts, felted sandals, etc.

They don't remotely resemble Arab dress and it's a pity that Hollywood has always disseminated the idea that ancient Israel was inhabited exclusively by Beduin. We have enough trouble making our case here without subsidizing this nonsense.

A.B.

THREE POLICEMEN in Feldkirch, Austria, who looked a man in a cell after a traffic accident and then forgot about him for 18 days were sentenced recently to 90 days in jail or fines of \$2,000.

Andreas Mihavecz, 18, was put in the cell while a friend in whose car he was travelling was questioned in the police station next door.

A police spokesman said the friend was released and "everybody forgot that a second man was in a cell in another building." Mihavecz lost 24 kg. during his ordeal.

He told the court that he twice managed to attract attention during the 18 days. The first time he asked for food and water, but a stranger said: "This is no concern of mine." A few days later, two people peered through a peep-hole, put on the light but then disappeared.

The three policemen were found guilty of negligent treatment. Mihavecz now is suing the state for \$20,000.

PARDON, your slip is showing. The usually highly reliable Reuter news service really boggled us the other day when their news story, datelined Chicago, ran like this:

"The black movement in the U.S. is split over the self-appointed peace-making role of the Rev. Jesse James..."

READERS' LETTERS

GREETING TOURISTS WITH A SMILE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — We read Edith Bienstock's letter, "Call for a smile" (November 7) with great interest as well as deep concern.

We quite agree with Mrs. Bienstock that Israelis do not smile enough, but there are reasons which sometimes make it difficult to smile, when the heart is sad and weary. But we agree that, whatever the reason may be, the tourist should be greeted with a "warm smile."

It may interest your readers to know that there exists in Israel a group of volunteers who call themselves "The Voluntary Tourist Service"; and one of their foremost aims is to greet every tourist with a smile, as they are eager to present to the world at large Israel's true image of a friendly and vibrant nation.

Already, at Ben Gurion Airport, the tourist is greeted with a warm smile by a member of the Voluntary Tourist Service, and we try our best to be of assistance. In the late afternoon, after the official Tourist Information Centres close down for the day, the Voluntary Tourist Service

starts to function in almost 30 hotels throughout the country. Its members give information, advice, and of course always a ready smile while they sit at their table in the hotel lobby. If a tourist is sick, a member of the Voluntary Tourist Service attends to him; if he expresses the wish to enjoy an evening with an Israeli family, the VTS will arrange such an evening for him; if he is

BE'EROT YITZHAK

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In his article of October 26, "Jet-age casualty," Alan Elner writes that, during the War of Independence, Be'erot Yitzhak "withstood several days of siege and bombardment before finally going under."

This is historically inaccurate. Be'erot Yitzhak withstood the Egyptian attack with great valour and was never conquered by the Egyptians.

ELI BERMAN, Secretary of the Kvutza Be'erot Yitzhak.

looking for a long-lost relative, we try our utmost to locate the missing relative.

All this is done with a warm and cheerful smile — a voluntary service which is unique in the world. ANNELEISE GOLDBERG, Chairman, Voluntary Tourist Service Jerusalem.

KRISTALLNACHT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Rabbi Alexander Carlebach (November 9) is quite right: there should be a proper remembrance day for Kristallnacht, as that day heralded not only the end of German, but most of European Jewry.

However (I hope that Rabbi Carlebach, being an Orthodox rabbi, will concur here with me), the appropriate day should be that of the Jewish calendar, i.e. Heshvan 16 and not November 9.

F. HICHENBERG, Tel Aviv.

DON'T STRIKE!

To the Country's Workers!

Calling countrywide strikes and causing unrest among workers at this difficult hour for Israel, will be of no avail in curbing inflation, improving the balance of payments and restoring the country's economic health.

This unprecedented and illogical assault on the measures being taken by the government, is a transparent effort to cause difficulties for the government, to undermine it and ultimately to topple it, with no efforts being spared toward this end.

The country's workers will not be a tool in the hands of patently political elements whose concern is neither the situation and welfare of the workers nor the country as a whole. It is rather political, sectarian considerations that motivate their actions.

We call upon the country's workers to display restraint, understanding and readiness to discuss matters. All of us, each in his own way, must lend a hand in rescuing the country's economy if we are to pull through unscathed.

To the government we voice our demand that in every phase of the implementation of any government programme, the positive interests of the country's workers must be maintained, and that proper compensation be made for price increases, to the weaker sectors of the population and to the economically deprived, without bringing about unemployment.

Workers!

Show national responsibility and maturity, do not participate in demonstrations, do not be drawn into violence, do not shut down the country's economy, don't be a partner to political strikes which no one really wants. These are senseless, illogical and purposeless.

The National Labour Federation Histadrut Haovdim Haleumit Executive Committee

But the cynics say it's the headlight of an express train coming in this direction.

The "painful steps" the government decided on this week may do more than heal Israel's economic ills. According to the Finance Minister, "They can also contribute to the creation of a new spirit in the country."

On the other hand the Histadrut fears that it will result in unemployment that can affect demobilized soldiers, new immigrants and residents of development towns.

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